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STATE CONTROLLER DAVID MCCOY TO EXPAND THE CJLEADS CRIMINAL-TRACKING DATABASE TO HENDERSON, TRANSYLVANIA, POLK, RUTHERFORD, CHEROKEE, GRAHAM, CLAY, MACON, SWAIN, AND JACKSON COUNTIES

State Controller David McCoy will expand the CJLEADS (Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Automated Data Services) criminal-tracking database to Henderson, Transylvania, Polk, Rutherford, Cherokee, Graham, Clay, Macon, Swain and Jackson counties with regional kick-off meetings June 7th, 8th, and 9th at the following locations:

- **Tuesday, June 7 – Hendersonville Operations Center, 305 Williams Street, Hendersonville.** (NOTE: This kick-off meeting includes Henderson, Transylvania, Polk and Rutherford counties.) **Media availability will be at 9:45 a.m. and 12:45 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, June 8 – Tri-County Community College, 21 Campus Circle, McSwain Building, Lecture Hall/Room 147, Murphy.** (NOTE: This kick-off meeting includes Cherokee, Graham and Clay counties.) **Media availability will be 1:15 p.m.**
- **Thursday, June 9 – Southwestern Community College, Jerry Sutton Public Safety Training Center, 225 Industrial Park Loop, Seasonal Law Enforcement Training (SLET) Classroom/Room 106, Franklin.** (NOTE: This kick-off meeting including Macon, Swain and Jackson counties.) **Media availability will be 9:45 a.m.**

(During the media availability, media will have the opportunity to interview Controller McCoy and/or local criminal justice professionals in attendance about the program. Please note that because of security requirements, only criminal justice professionals can view the live data contained in CJLEADS. However, media can get a separate demonstration of CJLEADS that contains “test” data at the kickoff meeting or by going to http://www.osc.nc.gov/cjleads/NCCJLeads_Demo_rev02.swf.)

Joining Controller McCoy at the regional kick-off meetings are area legislators as well as criminal justice professionals (law enforcement officers, district attorneys, judges, magistrates and clerks) in the respective counties. At each of these meetings OSC will provide a demonstration of CJLEADS that will show the potential and benefits of this important new tool. In addition, OSC will coordinate training schedules with the

local criminal justice organizations. Criminal justice professionals can begin to use CJLEADS after completing the training class.

Phase II Begins

After the Wake County pilot was completed, OSC began rolling out CJLEADS statewide in three phases. Phase I rollout to the Upper and Lower Piedmont was conducted in Winter 2010/2011. Phase II began May 17 with kickoff meetings scheduled in the lower western and lower eastern regions of the state.

Additional upcoming Phase II kickoff meetings include:

- June 21-22, 2011 – Columbus, Robeson, Bladen counties – Southeastern Community College, Whiteville, NC
- June 22-23, 2011 – New Hanover, Brunswick, Pender counties – Cape Fear Community College, Castle Hayne, NC
- June 28, 2011 – Onslow and Carteret counties – Coastal Community College, Jacksonville, NC
- June 29, 2011 – Craven, Pamlico, Lenoir, Jones counties – Craven County Sheriff's Office, New Bern, NC

Background

The Office of State Controller deployed the CJLEADS program to Wake County as a pilot in July, 2010. As of today, over 6,000 users, comprising criminal justice organizations with an operational presence in Wake County as well as counties located in the Phase I rollout, are established in CJLEADS and are training or currently using the application. (These Phase I counties included: Durham, Orange, Person, Caswell, Chatham, Guilford, Hoke, Moore, Montgomery, Richmond, Stanly, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Gaston, Lincoln, Cleveland, Rockingham, Stokes, Forsyth, Davidson, Rowan, Randolph, Alamance, Lee, Scotland, Anson and Union.)

The program is integrating data found within the state's various criminal justice applications and is providing up-to-date criminal information in a centralized location via a secure connection for use by state and local government criminal justice professionals. CJLEADS has two primary objectives: to provide a comprehensive view of an offender through a single application, allowing for positive identification of an offender through a photographic image; and to provide an "offender watch" capability to alert criminal justice professionals when an offender has a change in status. CJLEADS replaces the manual process of looking up historical criminal data from multiple systems, reduces the risk of overlooking critical data and improves the information needs of law enforcement agencies.

Several agencies that are part of the Wake County pilot or Phase I rollout have shared results of having access to CJLEADS. These testimonials and additional information about CJLEADS can be found on our website <http://www.cjleads.nc.gov>.

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